

CITY OF TORONTO

BY-LAW 104-2020

To amend City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 79, Fire Services, to require the keeping of a record available to the general public concerning certain inspection and enforcement actions of Toronto Fire Services.

Whereas under section 8(1) of the City of Toronto Act, 2006 (the "Act"), the City may pass By-laws to provide any service or thing that the City considers necessary or desirable for the public; and section 8(2) of the Act the City may pass By-laws in Accountability and transparency of the City and its operations and of its local boards (restricted definition) and their operations; and

Whereas the City has a division, known as Toronto Fire Services, that is the City's "fire department" under the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997; and

Whereas Council has adopted Municipal Code Chapter 79, Fire Services, section 79-8 of which establishes the responsibilities and duties of the Fire Chief, including as the head of the Fire Department, the responsibility for its proper administration and efficient operation, and that City Council can require the keeping of specific records in this respect; and

Whereas Council has decided that, the creation and maintenance of a record that is available to the general public concerning such details of the inspection and enforcement activities of the City's fire department, that the Fire Chief believes consistent with the proper administration and efficient operation of Fire Department and the effective management of the fire protection services for the City would result in increased accountability and transparency of the City's operations, specifically the operations of the Toronto Fire Services;

The Council of the City of Toronto enacts:

1. Chapter 79, Fire Services, is amended by deleting subsection 79-8B(9) and replacing the subsection with the following:
 - (9) For keeping a record to be available to the general public concerning the Fire Department's inspection and enforcement activities with respect to fire safety containing such particulars of the Fire Department's inspection and enforcement activities as the Fire Chief believes suitable for the proper administration and efficient operation of the Fire Department and the effective management of the fire protection services for the City, along with such other records as may be required by the Council.
2. This By-law is to have come into effect on June 30, 2020.

Enacted and passed on January 29, 2020.

Frances Nunziata,
Speaker

Ulli S. Watkiss,
City Clerk

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